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SUBJ: FIFTH INTERNATIONAL TIN AGREEMENT

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1. AT A NEWS CONFERENCE ON DECEMBER 26, MINISTER OF MINES VILLALPANDO OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT BOLIVIA WILL NOT RATIFY THE FIFTH TIN CONVENTION AT THIS TIME SINCE RECENTLY SET FLOOR AND CEILING PRICES OF THE BUFFER STOCK DO NOT COVER BOLIVIA'S COST OF PRODUCTION OR PERMIT MINING SECTOR DEVELOPMENT.

2. THE COMMUNIQUE STATES THAT BOLIVIA WILL CONTINUE THE BATTLE TO OBTAIN JUST AND EQUITABLE PRICES FOR ITS PRIMARY PRODUCTS INCLUDING TINE AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE INFLEXIBLE STAND OF SOME OF THE CONSUMING COUNTRIES WOULD BE MODIFIED DURING THE CONTINUING
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NEGOTIATIONS OVER THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. IT ALSO CALLED FOR A NATIONAL EFFORT TO RATIONALIZE BOLIVIAN MINING OPERATIONS AND LOWER THE HIGH COST OF PRODUCTION.
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